

2008 Youth Suicide Prevention Poetry Contest Rules

Grade Divisions:

Prizes will be awarded in the following two (2) grade divisions in the poetry contest:

Grades 7—9 and Grades 10—12 & post-secondary level. Prizes will be awarded as follows:

1 st place	\$50 + Trophy
2 nd place	\$25 + Trophy
3 rd Place	\$15 + Trophy
Honorable Mention	\$10 + Trophy

*****Note to teachers and club leaders:** All students who participate in the 2008 poetry statewide competition will receive a certificate of participation. These certificates will be mailed to you for distribution.

Judges will evaluate entries on the following:

1. Originality, uniqueness, reflection of creative thinking, style and expression.
 2. Appropriateness and relationship to contest theme.
 3. Spelling, neatness, readability, emotional/mental impact etc.
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1. Must follow all rules to qualify.
 2. Must not include any personal information (name, age, school, etc.) on the front of the poster or poetic writing.
 3. Must have a completed entry form securely attached to the back of each entry.
 4. Must be the original work of **one** student. Any plagiarized work or "joint efforts" will be disqualified.
 5. Must clearly reflect the theme's message, although entries do not have to contain the words of the theme.
 6. Work becomes the property of the Arkansas Attorney General's Office and will not be returned. However, special arrangements can be made on a case-by-case basis, by contacting the numbers listed below.

Poems:

1. Poems must neither be less than 30 nor more than 100 words in length.
2. Typewritten or computer-generated copy is preferred; however, legible printing will be accepted

Thursday, February 14, 2008 — Deadline for entries in statewide competition. (*Entries postmarked by this date will be accepted.*)

Mail to:

Office of the Attorney General
Community Relations Division
323 Center Street, Suite 200
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Questions? — Call 1-800-448-3014 or 682-1020

The theme for the 2008 Poster/Poetry Contest is:
“A Promise for Tomorrow”

2008 Youth Suicide Prevention Poetry Contest Entry Form

Student Information: *(For all students to complete. Please use ink — not pencil.)*

Name _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone No. (____) _____

Grade Division — Circle One

POETRY: Grades 7—9 Grades 10—12 & Post-secondary

School Information:

Teacher/Contact Name _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

School Telephone No. (____) _____

This entry is the original work of the above-named student only. The Attorney General's Office has permission to use this entry for publicity purposes. We understand that this entry becomes the property of the Attorney General's Office and cannot be returned unless special arrangements are made. **Student and parent or legal guardian (if under 18 years of age) must sign below.**

Your entry must include both signatures. Teacher/Counselor signatures will not be accepted.

Student signature _____

Parent/Legal Guardian signature _____

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- ⇒ All entries must have a completed entry form securely attached to the back.
- ⇒ Poems must be between 30 and 100 words in length.
- ⇒ *Complete contest rules, prizes and judging information are on the back side of this entry form.*
- ⇒ *All entry forms can be printed from www.ArkansasAG.gov*

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